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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

Texas Department of Agriculture P.O. Box 12847 Austin, TX 78711

Amendment Date:

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Authorization Date:

April 28, 2017

Expiration Date:

October 31, 2017

Report Due:

April 30, 2018

File Symbol:

17TX05-1

Attn: Kevin Haack

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency hereby amends the specific exemption previously granted under the provisions of Section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended, to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the use of sulfoxaflor (CAS Reg. No. 946578-00-3) on cotton to control tarnished plant bug (*Lygus lineolaris*) in Texas. This specific exemption is amended to increase the maximum number of cotton acres allowed to be treated from 4,000,000 acres to 5.5 million acres. This revision to the authorization letter of April 28, 2017 applies to condition #7 as follows:

7. A maximum of 5.5 million acres of cotton fields may be treated in Texas.

All other conditions and restrictions as stated in the authorization letter still apply.

If you have any questions regarding this emergency exemption, please contact Emergency Response Team member Tamica Cain (703-347-8110; cain.tamica@epa.gov) or the Emergency Response Team Leader, Tawanda Maignan (703-308-8050; maignan.tawanda@epa.gov).

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